Magazine Department

Interesting Features for Home Reading

The SANDMAN STORY

MR. ROOSTER'S ADVICE

IT WAS raining very fast and all the hens and chickens were sitting under the bushes at one corner of the yard waiting for the rain to be over, for each knew the worms would then be easier to find.

Old Mr. Rooster was watching with the rest of the family. He had lived at the farm longer than the others and so was considered very wise and was very much respected.

The hens taught their chicks to look upon old Mr. Rooster as their protector and as one to be listened to in all things.

When the rain was over young Mrs. Hen jumped up to scratch for worms

before the others came from under the bushes.

She was lucky enough to get a very large one the first scratch, but before she had it dragged from the ground out ran all the others and began to tug and pull until in the end no one got the worm.

"Now, what a silly family I have," thought old Mr. Rooster, who had not run with the others. "All so greedy that not one of them had a bite. I must talk to them and tell them how silly they are."

In spite of the worms, when Mr. Rooster called his family they all came running to see what he wanted.

"I want to give you some advice," he said, "the worms will be very thick after the rain and easy to find, but when one of you gets a very large one I have noticed that all the others run and try to get it and in the end no one has anything to show for the struggle.

"Now, my advice is that each one of you scratch for yourself and let your neighbor alone, even if he or she has a larger worm than you have, for if you drop the one you have found someone will come along and eat it and in the end you will be the loser."

Mr. Rooster strutted away feeling that he had done his family a great service and looking very important and wise.

All the fowl looked after him and no one moved until old Mrs. Hen said: "I wonder if old Mr. Rooster really meant what he said: I never saw any of our family that would not grab a big worm when it had a chance," and off she ran, followed by all the others, for they well knew that old Mrs. Hen knew just where to look for the finest worms.

Now, it happened the old Mr. Rooster saw them all running and he saw Mrs. Hen ahead, so he, too, ran to see what was going on.

When they reached Mrs. Hen she was pulling from the wet earth a very fine large worm and every hen and chicken dashed to her side, but before anyone got a piece old Mr. Rooster flew over their heads with outspread and flapping wings.

He landed right in the midst of the struggling fowl and before old Mrs. Hen could collect her wits Mr. Rooster had the big worm in his beak and was running away.

Of course, no one saw him eat it and later all he said was that every time he saw a struggle he should take the worm, but he did not say what he should do with it.

"He ate it, my dears," said old Mrs. Hen. "I am sure of it, and he will take every one we find if he sees it, so we better be careful."

There was no more quarreling among Mr. Rooster's family after that, and as he walked around the yard he said to himself, "You have to use force when they will not listen to reason, but that certainly was a fine, plump worm."

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BETTY BLYTHE

Handsome Betty Blythe is regarded as one of the most beautiful women on the "movie" screen today. She has been declared by critics throughout the country as the screen's most classic beauty.

Peanut Pietro

KAYEM GRIER

I MAKA da mind up eef I finda one guy I am looka for I senda heem een da hospeetal. I no care wot haphen weeth me so longa I putta dat sucker on da bum. For tree, four week gotta hard time feela good when ees everyday too moocha hot.

Other day I remember wot one guy tella me longa time ago lasa year. He was mad weeth me and I was mad enough for maka da fight. I was getta preety sore weeth heem and I say eef he do somating I putta heem on da bum. And he tella me eef I putta heem on da bum he make eet hot for me.

So now I know wot's matter I getta so hot and hava trouble keepa da ambish. No feela good for work or sleep—jusa keepa changa da clothes lika fall een da well tree, four time every day. So I tink eef I putta dat guy out of commish mebbe ees getta leetle cool, I dunno.

My boss was getta preety hot today, too. He looka jusa lika been een da swim weeth da clothes on. He say to me, "Do you perspire, Pietro?" I dunno exact wot he mean, but I feegure mebbe was habit lika dreenk or smoke or swear or somating lika dat. So I tella heem I never try perspire, but eef can getta cool mebbe I taka one chance.

Da boss tella me een da hot weather he jusa perspire all day. I dunno how he finda time for do dat when ees everyday too hot. Mebbe da boss no sweat so moocha lika me, I dunno.

Wot you tink?

CROSBY'S KIDS

A STRONG FELLOW

Onion: Say, carrot, old boy, I feel strong as an ox today!

Australia has only three Sunday papers.

Off Again, On Again

STRICKLAND W. GILLILAN

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POETRY.

Munsey's Magazine recently had this little gem:

Star o' night, Star o' night,
Keep on shining, shining,
Out of infinity,
In all sublimity
Of your divinity;
Through the ethereal sea,
Through the aerial sea,
Keep shining, shining
On me.

This touching and hospitable invitation by the poet to the star, urging said star to have a shine on him and say when, moves us to do thus:

Pup o' mine, Pup o' mine,
Keep barking, barking,
Into immensity,
With great intensity,
Showing your density;
Bark on, to beat the band—
See how much I CAN stand!
Keep barking, barking,
Dern ye!

Being Frank About It.

A current matrimonial advertisement reads: "Would you marry if suited?"

Come to think it over, we don't believe we would.

Why should we?

People get married because they are not suited with the circumstances as they are.

If one is suited with singleness, he's a goose to tie up to some woman, thus taking the usual terrific chance of being unsuited or unsuitable.

While if he's suited with a wife—gosh, that would be bigamy!

No, we wouldn't marry if suited.

In fact, in a burst of confidence, we are suited with a wife, and we don't intend marrying.

It would be just the same, though, if we weren't suited at all.

Our wife wouldn't let us.

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Hasn't Changed Things Much.

A Utah boy has invented a combination triangle and rule, for use in mathematics. The "eternal triangle" seems to have been the rule for years, in French fiction and on the stage.

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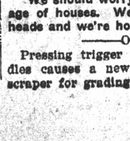
FINNIGIN FILOSOFY.

Some liars are mighty deciptive. Jiist whin yez think yes can depind on thim t' lie ahl th' time, they'll unixpictedly tell th' truth an' desave yez.

What the Sphinx Says

By NEWTON NEWKIRK.



"A Hasbeen can give you better advice than a Neverwuz."

BEAUTY CHATS

by Edna Kent Forbes

THE EARS

SEVERAL women have asked how to overcome protruding ears in half grown children, and several how to overcome such defects in themselves. One correspondent—in this case a man—wrote—

"The boys called me 'bunny' and 'rabbit' at school, my ears stuck out so, and because one tooth was out beyond the others. A dentist pulled this and inserted a smaller crown, in proper alignment. But the ears still stand out and make any face stupid looking, and homely. I am thirty years old now, and think it is too late to have my ears placed properly. Can you advise me, however?"

The ears are always more or less flexible, and if, through carelessness or ignorance on the part of the mother the baby's ears are allowed to protrude, the grown person can only do what the mother should have done. That is, bind the ears close to the head, and let them stay so all night. How many months it will take before the ears lie close to the head of themselves, I cannot say, for this depends upon the flexibility of the muscles, and the person's age. It is a simple treatment however, and should be tried by every one with outstanding ears. For they will give the suggestion of stupidity and even degeneracy, to the brightest of faces.

Now about exercises—

The best of all breathing exercises is the old Yogi method of filling first the lower part of the lungs, then the middle part, and lastly the upper part, holding the breath a few seconds, letting it out slowly. The manner in which the air is brought into the body exercises certain inner muscles, that directly affect the health for good. The best exercises for arms and legs are

Outstanding Ears Can Be Bandaged Down in This Way.

the setting up exercises used in the army and navy. Any recruiting station, or any enlisted man can give you these.

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Eggs in Baskets With Bacon.

Separate the whites and yolks of as many eggs as desired, being careful not to break the yolks. Beat the whites until stiff enough to stand. Turn into a buttered baking dish, make small depressions for the yolks and carefully drop them in. Dot with butter, sprinkle with salt and bake a medium brown. Serve garnished with crisp, fried bacon.

Storms are unknown in East Turkestan.

LUCKY THINGS

"We should worry about the shortage of houses. We just pull in our heads and we're home!"

Pressing trigger grips on the handles causes a new horse-drawn dirt scraper for grading to dump its load.

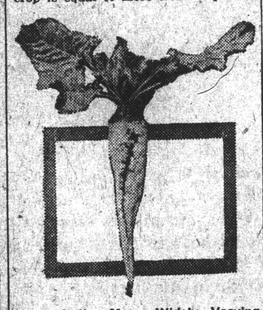
PROMISE GIVEN OF MORE SUGAR

Crop Conditions Give Assurance of Increase Amounting to About 333,000 Tons.

BEET ACREAGE MUCH LARGER

There Is Also Substantial Addition to Cane Acreage, Especially in Louisiana—Growing Conditions Show Improvement.

People who have soft-pedaled the sugar bowl for six years may be interested in the statement that crop conditions on July 1 promised an increase in next fall's sugar production in the United States; an increase amounting to, approximately, 333,000 tons, or enough to load a train of freight cars 70 or 75 miles long, allowing 40 tons per car. This prospective crop is equal to more than 22 pounds



One of the Many Widely Varying Types of Sugar Beets Found in Commercial Fields.

of sugar for every man, woman and child within the United States, and the increase over last year equals more than six pounds per person.

Big Beet Acreage.

The sugar-beet crop this year covers almost a million acres as against the five-year average of about two-thirds of a million; and the growing condition on July 1 was above the ten-year average. There is more than half a million acres of sugar cane this year, about half of which is intended for sugar and the other half for sirup, after deducting considerable amounts for planting the next crop. There is a substantial increase in acreage over last year, especially in Louisiana, where nearly all the cane sugar of the United States is made. The growing condition of the cane in Louisiana is much better than last year, but considerably under the average for the past nine years.

Protection for Crop.

The department of agriculture, which has carried on a number of projects looking toward making this country self-sustaining from a sugar standpoint, is co-operating with other agencies in protecting the crops from insects and disease and otherwise promoting the production and utilization of a bumper sugar crop. It should be borne in mind, however, that the forecast for 1920 is based upon conditions on July 1, and the actual out-turn would be above or below this forecast according as conditions between July 1 and harvest are better or worse than average.

PROPER TRAINING FOR STOCK

Finest Colt in World Is of Little Use to Farmer Unless It Has Been Broken.

Nobody really cares what makes the wild cat wild because the wild cat is no good even when it is tame. But it makes all the difference in the world whether useful live stock is trained or wild. The finest colt in the world, product of the best draft stock, is of little use to a farmer unless it has been broken to harness, is bridle-wise and gentle.

A cow may be a champion milk producer, but she is of comparatively little value if nobody can milk her. A setter may carry the blue blood of Count Gladstone and have a nose for birds that is unequalled, but nobody wants to hunt behind him unless he has felt the jerk of the trainer's choke line and learned not only to find birds, but to give his owner an opportunity to bag them.

GUARD TWINE FROM INSECTS

Solution of Kerosene and Crude Creosote Is Recommended by an Illinois Entomologist.

If the twine one buys is not already protected from crickets and grasshoppers the following formula given by W. T. Flint, entomologist of Illinois, can be used very satisfactorily. He recommends a solution of two gallons kerosene, and one gallon crude creosote. Mix these together and immerse the twine for a period of about one hour or until it is saturated, then lay out in the sun and dry thoroughly before using. The Missouri Agricultural college recommends a solution of one gallon of lime sulphur and ten gallons of water. Soak for a similar period and dry thoroughly before using.

PLANTING CABBAGE IN FALL

Small Pointed-Headed Varieties Must Be Used if Set Out Late—Worm Don't Bother.

Cabbage set late will make good heads, and it is sometimes much easier to grow it thus, as the worms are not usually so bad as in the spring. Of course you must plant the small pointed-headed varieties if you are planting very late. The large headed sorts may be set out the first of September and will usually make heads, especially if of the medium early sorts.

Not Hard to Eradicate.

The burdock, otherwise known as clot bur, great bur, beggar's button, stick button, etc., is not difficult to eradicate. It is a biennial.

Corn for Turkeys.

New corn is admittedly bad for turkeys unless boiled. Successful breeders hold over old corn each year for fattening their Thanksgiving turkeys.

Not Very Popular Crop.

Buckwheat is not a very widely-grown crop in the United States.

Sudan Grass for Pasture.

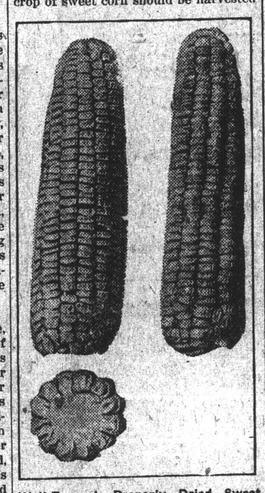
Sudan grass furnishes good pasture for horses, cattle, sheep or hogs. It is best not to pasture a young seeding until it is about a foot high. By this time it will have become firmly rooted and under average conditions will not be injured much from tramping and pulling by animals. A hay crop can be cut about the last of July and an abundance of succulent pasture secured throughout August when other pastures are burned up, or it can be pastured the early part of the summer and a hay crop secured afterward. The crop also may be cut and fed green with good results.

BEST AND EARLIEST EARS FOR SEED CORN

Quite Practicable to Allow It to Ripen on Plant.

Examine Grain Carefully, Removing Any Worms Found and Then Fold Back in Place and Tie With Elastic Band or String.

The best way to secure home-grown sweet corn seed, according to United States department of agriculture specialists, is to allow it to ripen on the plant, and, since a single ear will be seed enough for a small garden, it is quite practicable to do this. Select the best and earliest ears by stripping down the husks to examine the grain and to remove any worms that may be found, and then carefully fold them back and hold them in place by an elastic band or a string. Allow these ears to ripen thoroughly on the stalk. In the North it is often better to pull and hang the plant where there will be no danger from moisture, frost, or even chilling until the seed is thoroughly dry. All the ripe ears remaining at the end of the season in any crop of sweet corn should be harvested



Well-Formed, Properly Dried Sweet Corn for Seed—Crosby's Early.

and saved. The best ears will make fairly good seed, and nearly everyone knows the enjoyment in parched sweet corn.

Sweet corn spoils much more quickly than field corn, and cannot readily be cured in large shocks, but should be husked from the stalk and spread thinly on staging to cure. A convenient way of storing sweet corn is on the ear.

MOLD IN SILO PREVENTABLE

Use of Plenty of Water at Filling Time Will Overcome Difficulty —Pack Thoroughly.

The use of plenty of water at silo filling time is one of the surest ways of avoiding difficulty from molds if the corn has been frosted or has become overripe. If one has the facilities for running a steady stream of water into the blower and at the same time is careful to see that the tramping is thoroughly done the loss from molds can be made almost negligible. As a matter of fact, it is possible to entirely prevent the growth of molds if the corn is cut at the proper time and thoroughly distributed and tramped in an air-tight silo. What air remains after this is done is used up in the fermentation processes which begin as soon as the corn is ensiled—the oxygen being converted into carbonic acid gas and silage acids.

IMPROVEMENT OF GAME BIRDS

Pulaski County, Virginia, Continues as Leader in Stock Improvement Campaign.

The aggressive character of live-stock improvement activities in Pulaski county, Virginia, is illustrated by a recent sidelight in the "Better Sires—Better Stock" movement. A poultry man enrolled his 50 Indian Games (Cornish) headed by an Indian Game cock in the campaign. He kept no other stock.

Pulaski county, Virginia, continues to retain first place among all counties in the country for the number of persons agreeing to use purebred sires only.

Care for Brbody Hens.

Do not mistreat broody hens by the abusive methods so often recommended, but make them comfortable, feed them well, and keep them supplied with water.

Farm Bureau Movement.

The growth of the farm bureau movement is one of the hopeful things in the progress of American agriculture.

Long Tap Root of Alfalfa.

Alfalfa has a long tap root which goes deep into the ground. It can therefore stand a lot of roughing without injury so that the more shallow-rooted weeds growing with it may be pulled out.

Drainage Saves Many Acres.

Drainage has saved many an acre of good farming land.

Better Seedbeds Needed.

Better preparation of the wheat seedbeds is needed.

COMMERCIAL

Weekly Review of Trade an Market Reports.

BALTIMORE.—Wheat—No. 1 red winter, spot, $2.74½; No. 2 red winter, spot, $2.73½; No. 2 red, garlicky, spot $2.63; August delivery, $2.63; September delivery, $2.73.

Corn—Track yellow corn, No. 3 or better, for domestic delivery, is quotable at $1.64 per bushel for car lots on spot.

Oats—Domestic basis (old oats), No. 2 white, 85@86c; No. 3 white, 84@85.

Rye—No. 2 Western, export, spot, $2.18 per bushel; bag lots nearby rye, as to quality, $1.75@2.05 per bushel.

Hay—Standard timothy, $32; No. 2 timothy, $31@31.50; No. 3 do, $22@26; No. 1 light clover mixed, $29@30; No. 2 do, $25@27; No. 1 clover mixed, $28; No. 2 do, $22@26; sample hay, $18@22.

Straw—No. 1 straight rye, $20; No. 2 straight rye, $17@18; No. 1 tangled rye, $15; No. 2 tangled rye, $14@14.50; No. 1 wheat, $11@12; No. 2 wheat, $9@10; No. 1 oat (nominal), $15; No. 2 oat, $14@14.50.

Butter—Creamery, Western separator, extras, 56@57c; firsts, 55@56; do, prints, ½ pound, extras, 58@59; firsts, 56@57; do, 1 pound, extras, 58@59; firsts, 56@57; nearby creamery, extras, 48@50; firsts, 46@47; dairy prints, Maryland, Pennsylvania and Virginia, extras, 37@38; firsts, 36@37 store-packed, firsts, 36@37.

Eggs—Western Maryland, Pennsylvania and nearby, firsts, 49c; Eastern Shore, Maryland and Virginia, firsts, 49; Western (Ohio), firsts, 48@49; West Virginia, firsts, 48; Southern (North Carolina), firsts, 46@47.

Live Poultry—Chickens, spring, under 1¼ pounds, pound, 40c; do, 1¼ and 1½ pounds, pound, 41@42; do, 1¾ and 2 pounds, pound, 42@43; do, old roosters, pound, 21@22; do, old hens, pound, over 4 pounds, 37@38; do, small, pound, 35; do, white leghorn hens, pound, 35; do, young white leghorns, 1½ pounds, 38; do, under, 36.

Potatoes—White, new, Pennsylvania and nearby, 100 pounds, $2.50@3; do, Eastern Shore, Virginia, new, barrel, $4@4.50; do, new, York River, barrel, $4@4.50; do, Norfolk, No. 1 barrel, $4@4.50; do, No. 2, barrel, $2@3; sweets, yellows, No. 1, new, barrel, $5.50@6.50; yams, fancy, bright, barrel, $5@5.50.

New York.—Wheat—No. 2 red and No. 2 hard, $2.69, and No. 2 mixed durum, $2.67, c. i. f., track New York, export, August shipment.

Corn—No. 2 yellow, $1.77½, c. i. f., New York, 10-day shipment.

Oats—No. 2 white, 95c.

Butter—Creamery, higher than extras, 56½@57c; creamery, extras (92 score), 56; creamery, firsts (88 to 91 score), 51@55¼; packing stock, current make, No. 1, 43@44.

Eggs—Fresh gathered, extra firsts, 54@56c; fresh gathered, firsts, 49@53; State, Pennsylvania and nearby Western hennery, whites, firsts to extras, 60@72; State, Pennsylvania and nearby Western hennery, browns, extras, 60@65; State, Pennsylvania and nearby gathered browns and mixed colors, first to extras, 49@58.

Cheese—State, whole milk, flats, current make, white and colored, specials, 27½@28½c; do, average run, 25½@26½; State, whole milk, twins, current make, specials, 27@27½; do, average run, 25½@26.

Philadelphia.—Wheat—No. 2 red winter, $2.70@2.75; No. 2 red winter, garlicky, $2.60@2.65.

Corn—No. 1 yellow, $1.70@1.77.

Oats—No. 2 white, $95@96c; No. 3 white, 94@95.

Butter—Western creamery, extra, 67½c; nearby prints, fancy, 65@67.

Eggs—Nearby firsts, 54@56c; do, current receipts, 52; Western extra firsts, 54@56; do, firsts, 50@53; fancy selected, packed, 64@65.

Cheese—New York whole milk fancy flats, 27½@28; do, common to good, 24@27.

Live Poultry—Fowls heavy, 36@38c; light, 33@35; white leghorns, 33@34; broiling chickens, heavy, 42@43; light, 37@40; white leghorns, broilers, 35@36; old roosters, 22@23; old ducks, 30; spring do, 30@33.

Potatoes—Southern No. 1, $3@4 per barrel; do, No. 2, $1@2; Jersey, per basket, No. 1, 75c@$1; do, No. 2, 40@50c.

Hay—Timothy, No. 2, $35@37; do, No. 3, $30@31 sample, $26@28; no grade, $23@24; clover mixed, light, $34@35; new mixed, $31@32.

LIVE STOCK

PITTSBURGH.—Cattle—Prime, $14@15.

Veal calves, $15.50@16.

Sheep—Prime wethers, $8.85@9; culls and common, $2@4; lambs, $7@13.

Hogs—Prime heavies, $15@15.25; mediums and heavy Yorkers, $16.80@16.90; light Yorkers $15.50@16; pigs, $15@15.25; roughs, $11@13.

BALTIMORE.—Calves—Veal, choice, per lb., 15@15½c; ordinary to medium, 12@14; heavy, smooth, fat, per head, $35@30; rough, per head, $15@20; common, thin, per head, $10@12.

Hogs—Straight, per lb., 16@17; sows, as to quality, 12@14; stags and boars, 7@8; live pigs, 15@16;

CHICAGO.—Cattle—Bulk corn fed, $15.25@16.60; bulk grassy kinds, $9.50@14.50; cows slow, steady at $4@12.50; bulls at 25c decline; bologna mostly $5.50@7.25; calves very uneven; early sales, $15@15.50; late trade, $14.50@15, mostly stockers, firm.

Hogs—Bulk light and butchers, $15.10@15.85; bulk packing sows, $14.20@14.40; pigs, 25c to 50c lower; bulk desirable kinds, $14@15.

Sheep—Bulk, $11.50@11.75; choice medium weight, $7.75; feeders steady; best feeder lambs, $12@12.30.

EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL.—Cattle—Bulk $10@13; yearling steers and heifers steady; canner cows strong at $4@4.50; bulls strong; calves 50c to $1 lower good and choice vealers, $12@12.50; feeders steers steady bulk, $8.50@9.58.

KANSAS CITY, MO.—Cattle—Bulk medium and heavy cows, $7.50@9.50; canners, bulls and feeders steady.

Hogs—Bulk lights and medium, $15.20@15.50;

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